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In re application of

Francis BRIAND et al.

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Official Action mailed July 16, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.